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SUBJECT: RETURN OF CARLOS TELLO MACIAS TO GOM

1. CARLOS TELLO MACIAS, FORMER MEMBER OF THE JLP CABINET, HAS BEEN NAMED AS DIRECTOR OF THE GOM'S SUGAR INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTION, FINANCIERA NACIONAL AZUCARERA (FINASA). HE WILL REPLACE ALFREDO NAVARRETE ROMERO.
2. NAVARRETE, WHO HELD THE POSITION SINCE 1971, REPORTEDLY HAD PROFOUND DIFFERENCES WITH GILBERTO FLORES MUNOZ, THE DIRECTOR OF THE NATIONAL SUGAR COMMISSION, OVER THE DEVELOPMENT MODEL FOR THE SUGAR INDUSTRY AND MIGHT BE UNDER SUSPICION BECAUSE OF POSSIBLE FINANCIAL IRREGULARITIES IN FINASA. HE IS TO STAY IN THE GOVERNMENT IN AN UNTITLED AND UNEXPLAINED FINANCIAL ADVISOR POSITION.
3. TELLO, WHO RESIGNED IMPORTANT POSITION OF SECRETARY OF PLANNING AND THE BUDGET IN NOVEMBER 1977, HAD BEEN EXPECTED TO RETURN AT SOME TIME TO THE JLP ADMINISTRATION. ALTHOUGH THIS NEW POSITION IS NOT OF THE HIGHEST LEVEL, IT WILL ALLOW TELLO A GOVERNMENTAL BASE AND PROVIDE THE REPUDIDLY HONEST ADMINISTRATOR A SALARY. IT IS NOT BE-

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LIEVED THAT THE AGED AND LIGHTLY REGARDED FLOREZ MUNOZ, TELLO'NOMINAL SUPERIOR, WILL PROVIDE MUCH OF AN OBSTACLE TO ANY PLANS THAT THE WELL-CONNECTED TELLO MIGHT HAVE FOR FINASA. TELLO'S APPOINTMENT IS FURTHER EVIDENCE OF THE INCREASING GOM INTEREST IN THE ALMOST MORIBUND SUGAR INDUSTRY. MEXICO, ONCE ONE OF THE WORLD'S GREATEST SUGAR EXPORTERS, MAY WELL HAVE BEEN FORCED TO IMPORT SUGAR

LAST YEAR AND TELLO CAN MAKE USE OF THIS OPPORTUNITY TO
BOTH HELP REVITALIZE THE INDUSTRY AND HIS OWN POSITION IN
JLP'S ECONOMIC TEAM. LUCEY

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